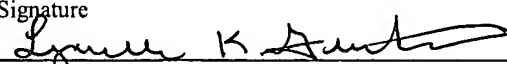


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Applicants also wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the following pending U.S. Applications. A copy of the first application (Application Serial No. 09/560,170) is enclosed. It is the parent to Application Serial No. 09/838,884 and the grandparent to the present application. The second and third applications (Docket Nos. 1345USD1 and 1345USD2) are divisionals of

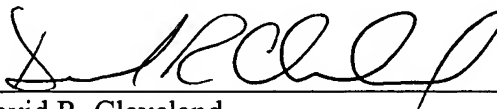
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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives at the below-listed telephone numbers to discuss any questions involving the present application.

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